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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF ETHIOPIAN MISSION PRESS RELEASE
OF MARCH 1, CONCERNING RELATIONS WITH SUDAN:
THE FOLLOWING IS THE FULL TEXT OF A PRESS RELEASE
ISSUED BY THE PROVISIONAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF SOCIALIST
ETHIOPIA REGARDING ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF SUDANESE AIR-SPACE
BY ETHIOPIAN AIRCRAFTS:

"THE PROVISIONAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF SOCIALIST
ETHIOPIA HAS TAKEN NOTE OF A PRESS STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF
THE SUDAN REFERRING TO INSTANCES OF VIOLATIONS OF SUDANESE
AIR-SPACE BY ETHIOPIAN AIRCRAFT.

"THE PROVISIONAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT OF ETHIOPIA IS
AWARE OF FEW INSTANCES IN THE LAST EIGHT MONTHS WITH RESPECT
TO WHICH SUDANESE AUTHORITIES HAVE ADDRESSED TO IT ENQUIRIES
AND THESE HAVE BEEN A CONTINUING SUBJECT OF DIPLOMATIC
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EXCHANGES WITH A VIEW TO ESTABLISHING THE FACTS.

"NEITHER THE FREQUENCY OF THE ALLEGED INCIDENTS NOR
THE BILATERAL EXCHANGES THAT TOOK PLACE INDICATE OR SUGGEST
ANY PATTERN OF DELIBERATE ACTIVITIES.

"THE PROVISIONAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT HAS COME TO
KNOW ABOUT THE VIEWS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SUDAN EXPRESSED
YESTERDAY ON THE MATTER THROUGH NEWS DESPATCHES CARRIED BY
INTERNATIONAL NEWS AGENCIES. IN ORDER TO ACQUAINT ITSELF
FULLY WITH THESE VIEWS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SUDAN, THE
PROVISIONAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT WILL, THROUGH NORMAL DIPLOMATIC
CHANNELS, CONTINUE TO EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION AND TO THAT
END CONTACTS HAVE ALREADY BEEN INITIATED BY THE MINISTER OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE PROVISIONAL MILITARY GOVERNMENT WITH
THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE DEMOCRATIC
REPUBLIC OF THE SUDAN WHO WAS LEADING HIS COUNTRY'S DELEGATION
TO THE O.A.U. FOREIGN MINISTERS CONFERENCE."

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